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SUBJECT: ALLEGED TELEPHONE TAP

REF: 1. MEXICO 6863, 2. PRELIMINARY SECTION 5 OF POST
SECURITY OFFICERS HANDBOOK DATED MARCH 18, 1974

FOR RSO

1. EVERY FOREIGN SERVICE MISSION SHOULD OPERATE UNDER ASSUMPTION THAT ALL PHONE LINES ARE TAPPED. THIS ASSUMPTION IS THE BASIS OF SY CAVEAT THAT NO CLASSIFIED INFORMATION SHOULD BE DISCUSSED OVER A TELEPHONE.
2. A TECHNICAL INSPECTION CAN NEITHER PREVENT A TAP FROM BEING MADE OUTSIDE OF THE MISSION'S CONTROLLED AREAS NOR DETERMINE WHETHER A TELEPHONE LINE IS INDEED TAPPED. THEREFORE, SPECIAL VISIT FOR THIS PURPOSE WOULD BE USELESS.
3. TAPS ARE GENERALLY NOT DETECTABLE. NOISES IN THE PHONE RECEIVER, WEAK CONNECTIONS AND ECHO EFFECTS ARE NOT INDICATIONS OF TAPPING. SYMPTOMS REPORTED IN REFTEL NOT CONCLUSIVE INDICATION THAT LINE WAS TAPPED.
4. RSO SHOULD CAUTION ALL POST PERSONNEL AGAINST DIS-

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CUSSING CLASSIFIED INFORMATION OVER ANY TELEPHONE. TSOS

WILL GIVE RSO FURTHER BRIEFINGS ON THIS SUBJECT
DURING NEXT TECHNICAL SECURITY VISIT TO POST. KISSINGER

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